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Trick-Or-Treat @ Dacus Library

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Who says trick-or-treating is just for little kids? College students should get to trick-or-treat too!



We invite you to come trick-or-treating at Dacus Library on Tuesday, October 27th, from 1-5 PM. We'll have a few different stations with food, candy and caricatures drawn

by artist Meredith Dallas (the picture to the right is an example of a Halloween-themed one she did last year).

Start following @dacuslibrary on twitter and retweet our tweet posted on Monday, October 26th—the first twenty to do so will get a Starbucks coupon for a free tall drink!

So come on out and

bring a friend! You might even learn something new about the library that will make it a little less scary!



Library Hours During Thanksgiving Break



With Thanksgiving Break here in no time, keep in mind that our hours will vary from the normal schedule as follows:

On Wednesday, November 25th, we will close at 5:00 PM and remain closed Thursday through Saturday, November 26th—28th. We

will reopen on Sunday, November 29th at 5:00 PM when 24 hour access will resume.



New Catalog and Login Credentials



Over the summer we switched to a different library system. As a result, there are new login credentials for accessing our electronic resources from off-campus and for checking your library account. See the following section for details on how to set up your library account password.

For returning students who had used our other system, searching the new online catalog will look and behave a little differently than our other catalog.

One of the main differences is that the search results screen has

several filters that you can apply to either narrow your search results further or broaden your results to include materials from libraries outside of Winthrop (handy if you're going to be requesting materials through PASCAL Delivers or Interlibrary Loan).

You also might notice articles showing up in the new catalog, but be warned that this is just a small portion of the articles we have access to. We always recommend searching our databases for access to more articles.

If you're not sure which databases to search

within, our [Research Guides](#) typically highlight which databases to use based on the subject area.

Tip: if an article is not full-text in one database, don't assume that we do not have access to it. It might be in another database or in print in the library. Search for the journal title in our catalog and look at the availability section to see what access we have to the journal.

If you have any questions, call 803-323-4501 to speak to a librarian or drop by the Information Commons desk.

How To Set Your Library Account Password



Go to the library's homepage and select the [Library Account link](#). Select the "set/reset password" link. Enter your Winthrop email username and click the "Request new password" button. You

will receive an email to your Winthrop email account containing a link to the page where you will create a password.

Once your password is created, you will use it

along with your Winthrop email username to log into your library account—view your checked out items, holds and fines—and to access electronic resources from off-campus.

Book A Librarian

Do you need help doing research, creating citations or using computer software, like Microsoft Word? Well now you can sit down one-on-one with a librarian and learn these skills.

This fall we started a service called Book A Librarian where you

can view librarian's profiles and calendars of availability and then book appointments with them for more in-depth, uninterrupted assistance than what you might be able to receive at the Information Commons desk.

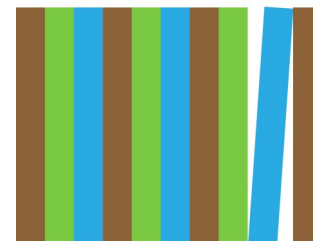
Just select the [Book A Librarian quick link](#)

from the library's homepage for more information and to schedule your first appointment!

We hope you'll make use of this great service!

"When the going gets tough, the tough get a librarian."
— Joan Bauer

**Book
a Librarian**



Dorm Book Swaps

Looking for a good book to read but don't have time to run to the library? Check out the book swaps in the Phelps and Margaret Nance dorms. They are located in the first floor common areas.

The idea is that you take a book that interests you and leave

a book you no longer need/want. DVDs and other media are welcome too.

If you don't have anything to swap out, you can still take an item, but we ask that you contribute materials to keep the swap going.

The library will try to

switch out materials during Winter Break, so look for some new titles when you return in January.

If you're interested in trying to get a book swap in your dorm, contact librarian DeAnn Brame at bramed@winthrop.edu.

We hope you love this free and convenient way to trade books within your residential community!

Semester-Long Loans

New this semester: undergraduate students now get semester-long loans for items checked

out from our general collection. This semester most items (excluding reserve,

PASCAL Delivers and Interlibrary Loan) are due back December 9th.



Exam Refreshments & Stress-Relief



We know some of you practically live in the library during exam week, so each fall and spring semester Dacus Library tries to make it a little more pleasant by providing refreshments and stress-relieving activities during exam week.

Beginning on Study Day, December 8th, we plan to have coffee, tea and hot chocolate available starting around 5:00 PM each night

through Monday December 14th (with the exception of no refreshments on Saturday).

Please keep in mind that we have limited funding for these refreshments, so when they run out each night that's it for the night. Sorry!

In addition to hot beverages we will be providing some activities that we hope will

allow you to take a quick study break and alleviate some stress.

Stay tuned through our social media for more information.

And remember, group study areas are on the main floor where it can get busy and noisy. If you're looking for quiet study areas, go to the second or ground floors.

Good luck!

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